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In the application of:

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LAYER

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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.111**

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Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to the first Action on the CPA, please amend this application as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS**

Cancel claims 1, 4, 10, 13 and 20 without prejudice or disclaimer.

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2. (Amended) The magnetic medium according to claim 21, further comprising:  
an underlayer between the sealing layer and the magnetic layer; and

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